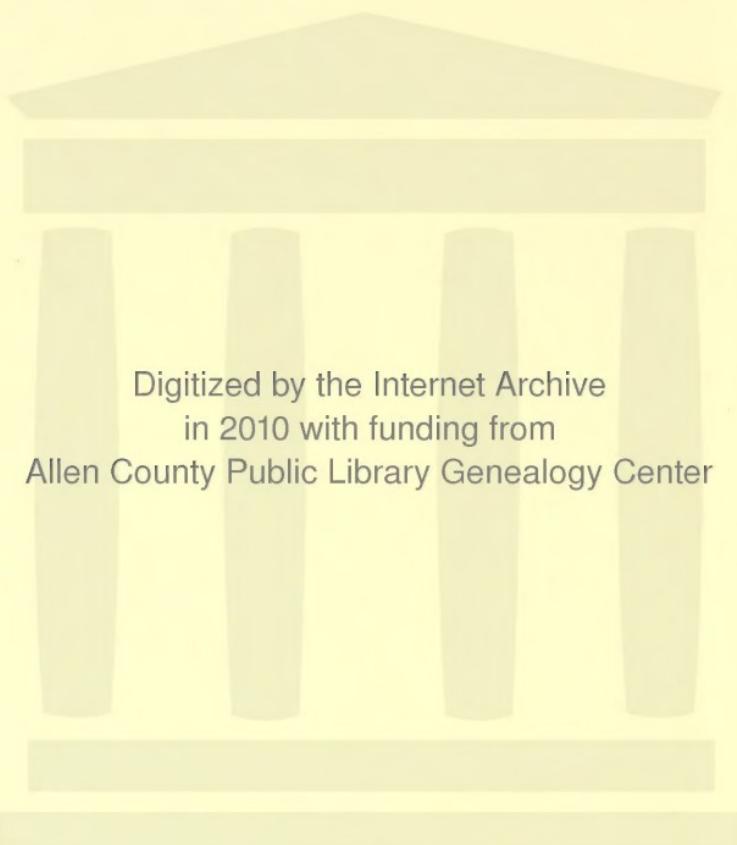


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SESSION RECORD

NO. 2

JULY 1 1831 TO  
APRIL 20 1845

FIRST PRES. CHURCH

SESSION RECORD

No. 2.

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(1)

Fort Wayne July 1<sup>st</sup> 1831.

Pursuant to notice previously & publickly given by James Chute a regular ordained Minister of the Presbytery of Columbus Ohio a number of persons members of the Presbyterian Church from different sections of the country, in regular standing, met. for the purpose of being regularly organized into a Presbyterian Church.

The meeting was opened by singing reading the Scriptures & prayer by the Revd James Chute. The following persons presented their Certificates from other Churches and were received as members of the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne.

Smallwood Noel

Nancy M. C. Noel

Sally C. Vanee

Nancy Barnett

Ann Griggs

John McIntosh

Ann Sierner.

D)

After receiving the certificates of the above mentioned persons they were formally recognized as the first Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne.

The members proceeded to the election of two ruling elders whereupon it was found that Mr Smallwood Noel and Mr John McIntosh were unanimously chosen.

1831

July 2<sup>d</sup> After sermon by the Rev James Chute Mr Smalwood Noel & Mr John McIntosh who had been duly elected ruling elders the day previous were set apart for that office by Ordination. After the Ordination the Session were constituted with prayer by the Rev Mr Chute who was invited to act as Moderator of Session. Smalwood Noel was chosen Clerk of Session.

Rebecca Hackley was rec'd on certificate  
{ Eliza Hood - Elizabeth Stinson  
Jane Clinger - James Barnett Son examined  
adjourned Closed with prayer

J. Noel. Clerk

1831 After sermon the Session met and was  
 Dec 3<sup>d</sup> opened with prayer by the Rev James Chute.  
 when the following persons were received  
 on certificate Viz  
 Martha H. Chute  
 Charlotte Ann Clapp  
 Adjourned Closed with prayer

1832 S. Noel. Clerk  
 March 3<sup>d</sup> After sermon Session met and was  
 opened with prayer by the Rev Jas. Chute  
 there being no business it was adjourned  
 closed with prayer

S. Noel. Clerk  
 June 2<sup>d</sup> After sermon the Session met and was  
 opened with prayer by the Rev Jas. Chute  
 when the following persons were received  
 by certificate Viz  
 David Rankin  
 Frances Rankin  
 Elizabeth Rankin  
 and Ruth McIntosh on examination  
 Adjourned till tomorrow morning nine O clock.

(4)

1832 Jun 2. Session met agreeably to adjournment  
when Jane Clingery Hunt was received on  
examination. And after sermon by the  
~~Rev. James Chute~~ S. Noel Clerk

Thus far examined and approved  
by the Presbytery of Miami  
Franklin Sept<sup>r</sup> 20 1832

Jos<sup>s</sup> Stevenson Modr.

Dec 1 After sermon by the Rev<sup>r</sup> James Chute  
Session met and was opened with prayer  
when Nathan Ferrand was received on  
examination. Adjn<sup>a</sup> Closed with prayer.  
Smalwood Noel Clerk

1833

March 2 After sermon by the Rev<sup>r</sup> Nat Chute  
Session met opened with prayer when the  
following was received by certificate  
Sepe S. Williams

Closed by prayer  
S. Noel Clerk.

1833

(5)

June 1<sup>st</sup> After Sermon by the Rev<sup>d</sup> James Chute  
Ses<sup>ion</sup> met. Opened with prayer when  
the following persons were received by  
Certificate To Wit

Susan Williams

Mary Hatfield

Closed with prayer

J. Noel Clark

Aug 11 After sermon by the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr Corey  
Ses<sup>ion</sup> met opened with prayer by the  
Rev<sup>d</sup> Jas Chute when the following persons were rec  
Marshall S. Wines & on examination  
Elizabeth Wines by Certificate  
J. Noel Clark

Aug 18 Departed this life on this day Mrs  
Martha H. Chute a Communicant in this church  
J. Noel Clark

Aug 31 After sermon by the Rev<sup>d</sup> James Chute  
Ses<sup>ion</sup> met opened by prayer by the Rev<sup>d</sup>  
Jas Chute when Mrs Eliza Hanna was receive  
on examination J. Noel Clark

(6) (note: The record of Sept 1, 1833, seems to have been omitted unintentionally when this was copied from the original record book. 13. (Enclosed))  
1833 Sept 18 Thus far examined and approved  
Pigman Simeon H Crane

Dec 1 Session met constituted with prayer  
present James Chafe Moderator. S. Noel.  
John McIntosh Elders. Admitted  
Mary S. Wilson by certificate  
S. Noel clk

1834  
Jan 30 At a meeting of the members of the  
first Presbyterian church called for  
the purpose of electing two additional  
Elders of said church. the meeting was  
opened with prayer by the Moderator when  
Jesse S. Williams and Marshall S. Wines  
were duly elected as Elders  
closed with prayer  
S. Noel clk

Feb 23 The Elders heretofore elected to wit  
Jesse S. Williams & Marshall S. Wines after  
sermon ordained and set apart as ruling  
Elders of the first Presbyterian Church of Painesville S. Noel

(7)

1834 Session met at the call of the moderator  
Feb 26 present James Chute Moderator

John McIntosh  
Marshall S. Miner } Elders  
Isaac D. Williams

Absent G. Noel

Constituted with prayer

A report unfavourable to the Christian character of Mr James Barnett being in circulation viz "That he was guilty of intemperance". The Session took up the subject and appointed John McIntosh, G. Noel, & M. G. Mine a committee to converse with him and report at the next meeting of Session.

They were also instructed to debar him from the privilege of the Church at the next communion. Adjourned to meet again on the third Saturday of March next at 2 O'clock P.M. Closed with prayer

J. Chute Clerk pro tem

8)

1834 Session met pursuant to adjournment  
March 15 a quorum not being present adjourned  
till 7<sup>th</sup> June next -

June 7 Session met pursuant to adjournment present  
James Chate Moderator

M. S. Wines  
Jepc L. Williams } Elders  
S. Noel  
John McIntosh }

when M. S. Wines from the committee  
heretofore appointed reported whereupon  
Resolved that James Barnett be suspended  
from communion with the church until  
he gives satisfactory evidence of his  
repentance and reformation by his daily  
walk and conversation -

Resolved that the Clerk furnish him with  
a copy of the above resolution

Closed with prayer  
S. Noel Ckr

(This is an omnibus  
Adjourned)

(9)

1834 Session met. constituted by prayer present  
 May 31 James Chute Moderator

M. S. Mines  
 J. S. Williams } Elders  
 J. McIntosh }  
 S. Noel

Admitted Alice Barber on certificate  
 adjourned - closed with prayer  
 S. Noel clk

July 27 Departed this life Mrs Ann Turner a  
 communicant in this church  
 S. Noel clk

Sept 2 Departed this life Mrs Ruth McIntosh  
 a communicant in this church  
 S. Noel clk

" 30 Departed this life Mrs Francis Rankin  
 a communicant in this church  
 S. Noel clk

(10)

1835 Sipion met pursuant to previous notice  
Jan 26 at the house of James Chute, present  
James Chute Moderator.

Lepe L Williams

M. G. Wines      Members of  
G. Noel      Sipion

opened with prayer.

The certificate of Thomas Perry was  
received and taken under advisement.  
Reports unfavourable to the Christian  
character of Mary Hatfield being in  
circulation a committee of two was  
appointed to converse with her touching  
those points - whereupon Lepe L Williams  
and Marshall G. Wines were appointed  
that committee and to report at the  
next meeting of Sipion.  
there being no further business the Sipion  
adjourned

Smalwood Noel clk

1835  
March 7

Session met at the house of James Chute  
present James Chute Moderator

Pepe L. Williams  
Marshall S. Mines } Elders  
Smalwood Noel }

opened with prayer

The certificate of Thomas Perry, taken  
under advisement at the last session  
has been decided upon and he is  
admitted to communion with this church  
The Committee heretofore appointed to  
converse with Mary Hatfield relative  
to reports in circulation touching her  
Christian character now report  
that they are not fully satisfied with regard  
to the innocence of Mary Hatfield and  
recommend further investigation.

Whereupon Session resolved that the com-  
mittee inform her that she will be  
barred from the privileges of communion  
at the approaching season.

Pepe L. Williams is excused from serving  
on the committee and Smalwood Noel

11) 1835 is appointed in his place. There being no  
March 7 further business the Session adjourned

Smalwood Noel clrk.

Aug 3 At a called meeting of the Session of the  
first Presbyterian Church in Fort Wayne  
on Monday the 3<sup>d</sup> day of August 1835  
present James Chute, Moderator  
George Williams John McIntosh } Elders  
M G Mines } Smalwood Noel S  
The Committee heretofore appointed to  
report in the case of Mary Hatfield  
now report. That before the committee had  
<sup>no</sup> opportunity to visit her they ascertained  
she had left the country and had separ-  
ated from her husband. and from what  
fell under their observation and from her  
conduct generally the committee are fully  
of the opinion that she is guilty of the  
charge of "adultery" as since the visit and  
advice of a former committee she has  
absented herself from public worship

1835 Aug 3 and from the testimony of her immediate neighbours and those most conversant with the family has admitted constantly into her company both night & day Samuel W. Burnham the person with whom she was charged with keeping up a criminal intercourse and whom she was advised to avoid.

The report was accepted. Whereupon the Session being fully convinced of her guilt and regarding it as a very aggravated case Resolved that the said Mary Hatfield be excommunicated from the Church.

Ordered that the moderator give publicity to the decision of Session, there being no further business before them the Session adjourned.

Closed with prayer. G. Noel. clk.

Dec 28 Departed this life James Shute pastor of this church G. Noel. clk.

(15)

1836 Sepion met in the court house present  
April 2 Daniel Jones moderator  
M S Mines }  
John McIntosh } Elders  
S Noel }  
Opened with prayer. admitted Martha Work

by Certificate. Closed with prayer  
S. Noel clk.

Aug 14 Sepion met at the house of Gmalurod Noel  
present Daniel Jones moderator  
M S Mines }  
John McIntosh } Elders  
S. Noel }

Opened with prayer. Admitted

J Hudson }

J Hudson } on examination

Andrew Wakefield }

Sarah Wakefield } on certificate

Adjourned. Closed with prayer

Gmalurod Noel clk.

(missim)

(14)

1836 Sesson met at the house of Gmalwood Noel  
Nov 14 present Daniel Jones. Moderator

M. S. Mines,

S. Noel.  $\frac{1}{3}$  Elders

Opened with prayer. Admitted

Miss Alida S. Hubble

Miss Susan M. Mann } by Certificate

Mrs Olive McIntosh

Adjourned, closed with prayer

S. Noel. clk

1837

Feb 4

Sesson met at the house of Gmalwood Noel  
present Daniel Jones moderator

M. S. Mines,

Gmalwood Noel  $\frac{1}{3}$  Elders

Opened with prayer, the being no business  
the session closed

S. Noel. clk

Aug 6

Sesson met at the house of Gmalwood Noel  
present Daniel Jones. moderator

M. S. Mines,

S. Noel  $\frac{1}{3}$  Elders

1837 Opened with prayer. Admitted  
Aug 6 Sosander & Jacoby }  
James Pringle by Certificate  
Jane Pringle }  
Susan Stewart }  
Margaret Taylor } on Examination  
Catherine Hamilton }  
S. Noel clk

Nov 13 Session met in the first Presbyterian  
Church. Present. A. F. Rankin moderator  
M. S. Mines }  
John McIntosh } Elders  
S. Noel  
Admitted } Calvin Steele }  
John In Milt }  
Mary M. Rankin }  
Lydia A. Miller }  
Avaline Johns }  
Griffith Baker } by Certificate

1838. Session met in the Presbyterian Church  
 Jan'y 13 present. A. G. Rankin moderator  
 M. G. Wines, John McIntosh, S. Noel. Elders  
 Opened with prayer, admitted by Certificate  
 Andrew Dykes, Sarah Dykes  
 Jane Hoggarth, Jane Humphrey  
 Elizabeth Wood.  
 on Examination Robert Dykes  
 G. Noel clk

Feb'y 25. Session met in the presbyterian  
 church, present. A. G. Rankin moderator  
 M. G. Wines,  
 J. McIntosh, Elders  
 S. Noel  
 Admitted by Certificate  
 Robert Baird, Polly Baird.  
 Honor Baird, Matilda Baird.  
 S. Noel clk  
 Dismissed  
 Martha Swinney Alida S. Hubble.  
 Lydia A. Miller.  
 G. Noel clk

D  
1838 Senton met in the Presbyterian Church  
March 4 present. A. S. Rankin Moderator  
John McIntosh }  
M. S. Wines } Elders  
S. Noel }

Admitted

David McQuistin  
Eliza Rogers by Certificate  
S. Noel clk

" 25 Senton met in the Presbyterian Church  
present. A. S. Rankin Moderator  
M. S. Wines }  
J. McIntosh } Elders  
S. Noel }

Admitted on examination

Myra S. Barber  
Jane Barber  
S. Noel clk

(18)

Annual Report of the First Presbyterian Church in Fort Wayne from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1837 to 1<sup>st</sup> April 1838.

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Total in Communion<br>as per last Report | 30  |
| Communicants added on examination        | 6   |
| Communicants added by Certificate        | 26  |
| Deaths                                   | +   |
| Dismissed                                | 3   |
| Suspended                                |     |
|  | 63? |

S. Noel clk

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of Fort Wayne. Report. that they are orderly & well kept. with the exception that the Book is too small the handwriting too confined & the lining effaces the beauty of the record. This refers to the first book, not to this one, 1838.

examined thus far & approved with the above exception.

Signed for April 4<sup>th</sup> 1838.

John Wright. Mod.

1838 (Cornelia Crane). Admitted on examination  
April 21 at a meeting of the session held in the

Presbyterian Church. Present

A. S. Rankin Mod.

M. J. Wines

I. M. Intosk } Elders

P. Noel

P. Noel clk

June 23 Session met in the Presbyterian Church  
Present A. S. Rankin Mod,

M. J. Wines

I. M. Intosk } Elders

P. Noel

Admitted of Reuben G. Stewart on examination

James A. Jacoby &

Wm. William H. Connell by certificate

P. Noel clk

Sept. 3 Departed this life Mr. Harry W. Noel  
a communicant in this church.

Probated P. Noel clk

1838

(28)  
Oct. 27 Session met. Members Present A. J. Rankin  
mod. Mr. S. Wines & S. Noel. It was resolved  
to request the Church to make an addition of  
two members to the session.

Some time was spent in considering a charge  
of intemperance brought against John McIntosh  
a ruling elder of the church. S. Noel was ap-  
pointed to visit and converse with him  
upon that subject.

Adjourned to meet on the 30<sup>th</sup> inst.

S. Noel clk

30<sup>th</sup>

Session met pursuant to adjournment. Members  
Present A. J. Rankin mod. Mr. S. Wines and  
S. Noel. Admitted Catherine Lewis and  
Sley Barber; or examination.

Wm. St. Barber and Nathan Faxon  
were elected ruling elders in this church and  
ordained to that office.

S. Noel clk

1839

Aug 5 Session met. members present. Members present  
A. J. Rankin mod. Mr. S. Wines & S. Noel

21

1839 Admitted Jacob P. Stryker, Susan Stryker  
Ann Taylor, by certificate. Sarah Fairfield  
on examination

See page

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J. A. & C. clk

Aug 20 Session met, members present A. J. Rankin and  
M. J. Wines, J. A. & C. Miller F. Barber and  
Nathan Farrand, who had been elected according  
to the request of Session and ordained ruling  
Elders took their seats as members of session  
The Committee to visit Mr. McIntosh reported  
he has not attended to the duty. The Clerk  
was directed to write a statement of the  
charge, as brought by common fame;  
against Mr. McIntosh. The following was  
reported.

John McIntosh a ruling elder of the  
Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne, is charged  
by common fame, with the crime of drinking  
ardent spirits to excess.

The moderator stated he had conversed with  
Mr. McIntosh, in relation to the truth of the  
charge, and that he found him ready to

Confess his sin and penitence, whenever session would afford him an opportunity.

The moderator was directed to notify him that session would meet on the 27<sup>th</sup> inst. when that opportunity might be had.

Adjourned to meet on the 27<sup>th</sup> inst. one o'clock P.M.

L. A. & C. clp.

January 27<sup>th</sup> 1839 session met, according to adjournment. Members present. A. T. Banks moderator. H. S. Wins, H. S. Barber, A. Farson, L. A. & C. Opened with prayer. The moderator reported he had attended to the duty assigned him at the last meeting. Mr. W. Intoski appeared before session, according to notification. Session heard confession of his sin, and purpose of repentance. Session decided that it was necessary that his confession should be written and read before the publick congregation. Mr. W. Intoski was requested to furnish a written statement, to be submitted to them on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February next. Adjourned to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February next at one o'clock P.M. L. A. & C. clp.

23

February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1839 session met according to adjournment. Members present A. J. Rankin mro. Mr. F. Barber, N. Farrand & P. Stodd.

Opened with prayer. Admitted James Humphrey, Elizabeth Frank & Mary Fairfield, on examination.

W<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>t</sup> Intosk did not appear, nor did he furnish the written statement of his confession required of him by session. The moderator was appointed to confer with him, and report to the next meeting of session.

Adjourned to meet on the 9<sup>th</sup> inst. 3 o'clock P.M.  
Smallwood store C.R.

February 9<sup>th</sup> 1839 Session met pursuant to adjournment. Members present A. J. Rankin mro. Mr. F. Barber, Mr. G. Minus, N. Farrand & P. Stodd. Opened with prayer.

The moderator reported he had attended to the duty assigned him at the last meeting.

W<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>t</sup> Intosk appeared before session.

After some conversation with him it was deemed not necessary to have his confession

read publickly. The following minute was adopted.

Resolved, that in consequence of his confession of his sin, and purpose of new obedience Mr. Wintosh be continued in the communion of the church, and he is hereby <sup>is</sup> continued, and recommended to the fellowship and sympathy of the brethren.

Resolved, that the moderator read the above sentence from the pulpit next sabbath morning. ~~After~~

Smalwood Socy Ckr

27<sup>th</sup> February 1839 William A. Connell was dismissed by order of the session

Smalwood Socy Ckr

24<sup>th</sup> March 1839 Session met. Members present. A. J. Rankin mod. H. P. Wines, J. Wintosh, M. F. Barber, A. Farr and the moderator reported that he had dismissed John M. Wilt. His report was approved. Mrs. Mary Sharp was received on certificate Susan Grigg on examination.

A. J. Rankin Ckr pres

25

January 12<sup>th</sup> 1839 Session met. Members  
26 present A. T. Rankin mod. S. Noel -  
21 absent M. S. Wines. Session having been pre-  
vented by W. McIntosh's absence from  
home, from adjudicating the charge against  
him. It was resolved to debar him from the  
Lord's table, until <sup>the</sup> Case could be examined  
for doing thus they considered themselves author-  
ized by the discipline, chapter 4, section 18.

Note. This minute, in transcribing the records,  
was omitted, and should have been inserted  
on page 21, before the meeting of session on  
the 20<sup>th</sup> January 1839.

Smalwood Noel Ckr

17<sup>th</sup> March 1839 session met. Members present  
A. T. Rankin mod. M. S. Wines, M. F. Barber  
John McIntosh, N. Farrand & S. Noel  
admitted on examination William Huyler

Smalwood Noel Ckr

30<sup>th</sup> March 1839 Session met. Members present. A. S. Rankin mod. H. L. Minns, J. W. Lortie, M. F. Barber, N. Farman & D. J. Auld. Nathan Farman was appointed to attend the next Presbytery, and Warren F. Barber his alternate.

Smalwood No. 1 Clk

| Total in communion      | 55 |
|-------------------------|----|
| ad. last report         |    |
| Communicants added      | 10 |
| On examination          |    |
| Communicants added      | 6  |
| by Certificate          |    |
| Deaths                  | 2  |
| Dismissed               | 2  |
| Suspended               |    |
| Total now in communion  | 65 |
| Ad. to baptised         | 2  |
| Infant baptised         | 11 |
| Total Baptisms          | 13 |
| Visitors reported since | 1  |

75<sup>2</sup>  
Smalwood No. 1 Clk

37

June 16<sup>th</sup> 1839 session met members present  
A. J. Rankin, mod, M. S. Wines, John Whitlock,  
M. F. Barber, Nathan Garrison & Simlewood Socy.  
Admitted on examination

A. S. Taylor.

~~Samuel~~ Stryker

Henry Stryker Jr

Lemittie Stryker Snively

Simlewood Socy, Clark

June 23<sup>rd</sup> session met, at the call of the  
moderator - numbers present A. J. Rankin mod,  
M. S. Wines, M. F. Barber & L. Socy. Admitted on  
certificate. Benjamin H. Town & Catharine Town  
M. S. Wines was appointed to attend a  
called meeting of Presbytery at Dayton on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> July 1839. Simlewood Socy Clark

At a meeting of the session of the first Presbytery  
Church of Fort Wayne June 16<sup>th</sup> 1839 C. W. Gifford  
was appointed chorister & N. Garrison & B. H. Town  
assistants. - They are earnestly requested to accept  
the appointment, and hold meetings for improvement

in singing at such times and places as will be  
convenient for the people to attend. 22 June 1839

July 7<sup>th</sup> 1839 Session met - members present  
A. J. Rankin mod.  
W. S. Wins  
John McIntosh  
A. Farrand  
M. F. Barber

Smalwood Soc. - Opened with prayer  
by the moderator. Admitted on certificate  
Eliza A. Miller on examination Mary  
Ann Cadion & Eliza Blinger. Admonished  
Dismissed Mary G. Hunter & Cornelia  
Brain.

Smalwood Soc C.R.

29

January 13<sup>th</sup> 1840 Session met  
Present A. J. Rankin, moss, John  
McIntosh, Nathan Farrand & Miriam F.  
Barber - Elders - Admitted on certificate  
Mary Baker & Electa Taylor - Examination  
Peter Timmons, Margaret Timmons & Elizabeth  
(Bair) Smallwood New Clerk

28<sup>th</sup> March 1840 Session met. Present A. J. Rankin  
A. J. Morris, J. McIntosh, M. J. Barber, N. Farrand  
& S. Cole, Elders. Opened with prayer.  
Admitted on certificate Sophia Ball. On  
examination Mary Jane Lyfe, Susan Morris  
Anna Forster, Jane Hoole & Ann T.  
Farrand. Closed with prayer.

Smallwood New Clerk

| Total<br>communicants                     | 65                  |
|---|---------------------|
| Communicants<br>admitted                  | 15                  |
| On Certificate                            | 6                   |
| Adm'd                                     | 1                   |
| Dismissed                                 | 2                   |
| Rejected                                  | 1                   |
| Total now in<br>communication             | 83                  |
| Adm'd, 12/18/39                           | 4                   |
| Chased                                    | 1                   |
| Total No. Present<br>(including visitors) | 1                   |
|   | Smallwood New Clerk |

5<sup>th</sup> April 1840 Session met. Present A. J. Rankin mowr.

A. Farrand, M. S. Wines, M. F. Barber & S. D. Cole  
Elders, Admitted (Caroline Jones, Luther and  
on examination Mary Timmons, <sup>Wm. C.</sup> Peaderay Timmons)  
John Aborn, Abigail Quigley, & Mary Copes.

Smalwood Noe CLK

12<sup>th</sup> April 1840 Session met. Present A. J. Rankin mowr.

A. Farrand, M. S. Wines, M. F. Barber & S. D. Cole,  
(Elders) Admitted (R. Timmons) &  
Augustine Sofif on examination

Smalwood Noe CLK

30 April Session met. Present A. J. Rankin mowr.

A. Farrand, John McIntosh & Smalwood Noe,  
(Elders) Admitted Rachel Gentry, by letter  
Allen Hamilton, on examination.

Smalwood Noe CLK

May 30

1840 Session met. Present A. J. Rankin, mowr.

A. Farrand, M. S. Wines, & Smalwood Noe  
(Elders) Admitted G. Wark, and  
David Bass, on examination

Smalwood Noe CLK

31

1840

Sept. 8 Session met in the first Presbyterian

Church - Present

A. J. Rankin Mod.

M. L. Wines

John McIntosh

Nathan Farrand

Ab. F. Barker

P. Noel

Mod.

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

Admitted on examination, Samuel  
J Lewis, John J. E. Baker & Joseph McIntosh  
on motion G. A. Cook & M. F. Barker were  
appointed a committee to converse with  
John A. Baker & Henry Stryker in relation  
to unchristian conduct.

S. Noel Clerk

Oct. 17 Session met in the first Presbyterian Church

Present A. J. Rankin mod.

M. L. Wines

John McIntosh

Nathan Farrand

Ab. F. Barker

P. Noel

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

1840

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John W. Intosh & Smalwood, now are ap-  
pointed a committee to converse with John  
C. Baker & Henry Tryer in relation to unchristian  
conduct.

Adjourned until 29<sup>th</sup> inst.

J. Nace, Clk

Dec. 29 Session met pursuant to adjournment <sup>opened with prayer</sup> present  
A. J. Parkins, moderator  
M. L. Wins  
Mrs. Barber  
A. Farina  
J. Nace

The committee to visit John C. Bowes reported  
they had attended to that duty, and that said Bowes  
confessed his guilt, and his purpose of new obedi-  
ence, which report was accepted. The committee  
to visit John C. Baker reported they had attended  
to the business. The report was accepted.

John C. Baker appeared before session and stated  
that he waived his right to a regular citation, and  
was willing his case should be taken up imme-

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1840 - diately, on his own confession - he then confessed that he had been guilty of unchristian conduct in getting drunk at three different times and violating a pledge of total abstinence made to the Sopion when he was received into the church. Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 O'clock.

J. Noel Clark

1840 Dec 30 Sopion met pursuant to adjournment. Present the same members as yesterday, Sopion then heard Mr Baker at some length as to the causes which led him into sin and to what was his present views and feelings. Whereupon the following minute was adopted and the Moderator directed to read it from the pulpit in the presence of the congregation.

Resolved that John Baker be restored to the communion of the church on the grounds that he appears penitent and pledges himself to total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, and he is hereby restored and commended to the

1840 Sympathies and prayers of the brotherhood.  
 Dec 30 The Clerk was ordered to issue a citation to Henry Stryker to appear before the Session on the 11<sup>th</sup>  
 day of Jan'y 1841 in the Presbyterian meeting house at 11 o'clock AM, to answer to the  
 following. The following charges were then taken  
 up. Henry Stryker is charged with unchristian  
 conduct 1<sup>st</sup> violating the Sabbath, 2<sup>o</sup> absenting  
 himself from public worship.

John McIntosh is charged by common fame  
 with unchristian conduct - Drunkenness,  
 Minstres H. B. Taylor Margaret Taylor -  
 Elizabeth Mines M. S. Mines & Mary Rankin,  
 Session adjourned to meet on the 11<sup>th</sup> Jan'y  
 1841 -

S. Noel Clerk

Jan'y 2

1841 Session met upon the call of the Moderator

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Dec 30 Admitted on examination Alexander M'Funkin  
 Addison Morrell & John Coakran - By letter  
 Roxey Sharp Elizabeth Evans & Maria Evans &  
 S. Noel Clerk

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January 11

Sespin met agreeable to adjournment. Present  
P. Noel, A. Farnand, M. Mines Célésté and  
W<sup>r</sup> F. Punkin moderator. Henry Stryker  
appeared before Sespin according to citation.

He confessed he had been guilty of the  
crimes specified in the charge. He was then  
heard as to the present state of his mind and  
feelings in regard as to whether he was penitent.  
Sespin did not see sufficient evidence of penitence  
but concluded there was so much as to induce  
them to suspend their decision for the present  
to enable him prayerfully to consider the whole  
matter and appear before them another time and  
state whether he sincerely repented of the sin.

Mr. McEntosh did not appear. Michael  
stated he had made a mistake in the day  
and had attended the Saturday previous &  
was in bad health and that likely he would  
not be able to attend according to citation.

Resolved to meet the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst at one o'clock.  
P. Mr. S. Noel was ordered to notify Mr.  
McEntosh to that effect.

11. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> etc

Jan 23  
1841

Session met pursuant to adjournment  
Present A. J. Rankin mod:  
M. L. Wines, Nathan Farrand, & Smalwood told  
opened with prayer.

Mr McIntosh appeared before session.  
The Clerk is ordered to issue citations for the  
following witnesses, James H. Gandy.

M. L. Wines is appointed a committee to  
visit Mary Fairfield, and converse with  
her on the subject of dancing on the (date?)  
day of November 1840

Session adjourned until the 1<sup>st</sup> Feby 1841  
at Clark's Pitt.

Jan  
24<sup>th</sup>

Smalwood told Clerk  
Session met at the call of the moderator  
Present A. J. Rankin mod: M. L. Wines  
N. Farrand, M. F. Barber & S. told &  
Reinst on examination Samuel A. Old  
Frederick Krome.

Smalwood told Clerk

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January 31<sup>st</sup> / 1841

Session met at the call of the moderator,  
Present A. T. Rankin, mod.

M. S. Wines, N. Farrand, M. F. Barber, S. Noel  
Resigned on examination - Stephenithus &  
Smalwood Noel etc.

Feb 1

Session met pursuant to adjournment

Present A. T. Rankin mod. M. S. Wines  
N. Farrand, M. F. Barber, S. Noel Opened  
with prayer.

W. Wintock appeared, The witness did  
not attend. On motion of M. S. Wines the charge  
of drunkenness was called up. W. Wintock  
plead "not guilty." The charge not proved.  
On motion of M. S. Wines the charge for a  
violation of the Sabbath, by visiting tippling  
houses on said day. To this charge W. Wintock  
plead "guilty."

After consultation, in which W. Wintock  
satisfies session of his penitence and purpose  
of new obedience. It was

Resolved, That he be continued in the

communicant of the church, and he is hereby  
continued and recommended to the fellowship  
and prayers of the brotherhood.

Closed with prayer

Smalwood Socy Ckr

- Feb 6 Session met at the call of the moderator  
Present A. J. Rankin mod: M. L. Wines  
K. Farrand, M. F. Barber S. Socy.  
Admitted on examination, Linus Porter, Elvina  
F. King & Matthew Gregg. Long business  
adjourning. Smalwood Socy Ckr
- 13 Session met at the call of the moderator  
Present A. J. Rankin mod: M. L. Wines  
K. Farrand, M. F. Barber.  
Admitted on examination, William Stewart,  
John Bradley & Davis Fletcher. There being no  
further business session closed.  
Smalwood Socy Ckr

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 Feb. 14. Session met at the call of the moderator  
 Present A. J. Rankin mod. S. Dow.  
 Admitted on examination Mary Brown, stone  
 Thorne. There being no further business session closed  
 Smalwood St. N.Y. C.R.

Feb. 28. Session met at the call of the moderator  
 Present A. J. Rankin mod. M. L. Miner, F. Ferris  
 & H. West S. Dow. Admitted on examination  
 Mary Cooper on certificate Joseph  
 Wycoff and Matilda Wycoff  
 Smalwood St. N.Y. C.R.

| Office                          | 1841 |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Total in<br>Communication.      | 89   |
| Admitted in communication       | 1    |
| In Berthiaue                    | 6    |
| Clerk                           | 2    |
| Convinced                       | 1    |
| Unpersuaded                     | 0    |
| Total never in<br>Communication | 116  |

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May 23

Session met in the first Presbyterian Church  
Present A. J. Rankin, Moderator, H. T. Wins  
& S. F. Barber, T. Farrand & S. Noel Elders.

John C. Baker, a member of this Church, is  
charged, by common fame, with the sin of drunken-  
ness - The Clerk is ordered to cite him before  
the Session on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1841 at  
4 o'clock P.M.

Wins & Noel are appointed a Committee  
to visit James Barnett - the session entertain-  
ing fears that he is about to forfeit his Christian  
Character, by intemperance.

The Clerk is ordered to cite Henry  
Stryker to appear on the same day - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
June 1841.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1841. 4 o'clock P.M.  
Session met pursuant to adjournment  
Present A. J. Rankin Moderator, H. T. Wins  
& S. Noel, Elders. The committee appointed  
to visit James Barnett not having  
performed that duty, further time is allowed  
The Clerk failing to cite Henry Stryker

he is ordered to cite him to appear before Session on the 13<sup>th</sup> inst. at 4 o'clock P.M.

Session adjourned to meet on the 13<sup>th</sup> inst. at 4 o'clock P.M.

Sept 12<sup>th</sup> 1841

J. More CLK

Session met on call of the moderator (not having met on 12<sup>th</sup> June last pursuant to adjournment.) Present J. T. Rankin mod., H. S. Wines, H. F. Barber, A. Farrand, G. More, Elders. ~~Ordered~~ Moved and carried that session will proceed finally to dispose of the cases at issue, of John Baker & Henry Baker.

Ordered that the Clerk cite said Baker and his wife to meet session at 2 o'clock P.M. on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> inst. at this place.

The Committee to visit James Barnett being called upon to report, stated they had neglected to discharge that duty, one further time was allowed them.

Adjourned to meet at this place 17<sup>th</sup> inst. at 2 o'clock P.M.

J. More CLK

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> 1841 Session met. No quorum being present adjourned to 3<sup>o</sup> o'clock P.M.

Session met 3<sup>o</sup> o'clock P.M. Present A. J. Rankin Mod. Farvane, Harbor Wins & Fore elders - Committee appointed to visit James Barnett reported that that duty has been attended to, and that said Barnett acknowledged he had violated his pledge of total abstinence, but excused himself on the ground of ill health. Consideration of report postponed.

The case of John C Baker was then taken up. Mr Baker present, who frankly ~~said~~  
~~laid~~, ~~that~~ with deep sorrow and humility,  
that he was guilty as charged.

Session adjourned to meet at this place this evening at 7 o'clock.

L. Sonc CLK

Yorlock P.M.

Session met pursuant to adjournment Members present as at adjournment - the conference business taken up.

Motion that John E. Baker be suspended from the Communion of this Church & negative all badges & tokens of abstinence from all intoxicating drinks as a beverage and a medicine and the moderator then directed publicly to admonish and rebuke Mr. Baker from the pulpit.

On motion the case of Henry Stroffer was taken up.

On motion resolved that Henry Stroffer be suspended, and he is hereby suspended from the communion of the Church until he repent.

On motion ordered that the Committee confer further with James Barnett.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the moderator

L. Stoile Ckr

Octr 3<sup>rd</sup> 1841 Session met at the call of the moderator - Pres't A. J. Rankin. mod'r.  
W. S. Wines, M. F. Barber & S. Noyl. clrs  
Admitted on examination -

John M. Smiley Hugh Bay L  
Catharine Tigar

~~Adjourned~~

S. Noyl clrk

Octr 17 Session met at the call of the moderator  
Members present A. J. Rankin mod'r.  
~~M. F. Barber, W. S. Wines, M. Hammond, clrs,~~  
~~Ordered that the Clerk cite John Wintrob~~  
~~and John D. Baker to appear before session~~  
~~on the 30<sup>th</sup> inst. at 10 o'clock P.M. in the first~~  
~~Presbyterian Church in Fort Wayne to~~  
~~answer to the charge of drunkenness.~~  
Session adjourned until the 30<sup>th</sup> inst.  
at 10 o'clock P.M. M. F. Barber clrk Pro tem

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Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1841 Session met at the call of  
the moderator. Members present

A. T. Rankin Mod. M. T. Wm. G. F. Baker  
S. Noel - Elder. Opened with prayer.

John Wintrob is charged, by common  
fame, with unchristian conduct.

1<sup>st</sup> with visiting tippling houses, and

2<sup>nd</sup> with being drunk on the last Saturday  
evening of the Allen County Circuit Court.

John E. Baker is charged, by common  
fame, with unchristian conduct. 1<sup>st</sup> with  
having broken his pledge of total abstinence  
from all intoxicating drinks. 2<sup>nd</sup> with  
drunkenness.

The Clerk was ordered to cite John Wintrob  
John E. Baker to appear before session at  
the Presbyterian ~~the~~ Meeting house on  
the 26<sup>th</sup> Inst. to answer to the above charges

Adjourned.

S. Noel.

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Oct. 30 Session met agreeably to adjournment  
members present A. T. Rankin

moderator. John McIntosh appeared pursuant to citation and a copy of the charges against him with the names of the witnesses was put into his hand and he was cited to meet the session on Friday, the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Nov at 2 o'clock P.M. to have the adjudication. The Clerk was ordered to cite the witnesses Mr. Baker did not appear and the Clerk was ordered to cite him a second time to appear before session on the 5<sup>th</sup> Nov next at 2 o'clock P.M. Adjourned to the 5<sup>th</sup> Nov at 2 o'clock P.M.

S. Noel C.R.

Oct 31 The session met at the call of the moderator members present A. T. Rankin moderator S. Noel Mrs Barber M. S. Menes N. Farnard Elders admitted upon certificates - Mrs Alida S Taylor Mrs Mary C. Habbell S. Noel C.R. Nov 5 session met pursuant to adjournment members present A. T. Rankin moderator S. Noel Elder Mr McIntosh did not appear and

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Mr. Parker not having been notified  
the Clerk was ordered to notify them  
to meet the Session on the 13<sup>th</sup> inst at  
2 o'clock P.M. on the Session would  
proceed to determine their cases in their  
absence.

S. Noel Clerk

Nov 13 Session met present A. S. Rankin moderator  
N. Garrison Elder John Parker and  
John Mcintosh not appearing Session adjourned  
to meet the 20 inst at 2 o'clock P.M.

Nov 20

S. Noel Clerk

1841 Session met pursuant to adjournment  
present A. S. Rankin Moderator Mr. F. Baile  
W. J. Morris S. Noel & N. Garrison Elders  
Mr. Parker did not appear according to  
citation.

It was resolved to take up his case and  
the Session of their own knowledge knowing  
that he was guilty of the crime charged  
against him Resolved that he be and he  
is hereby suspended from the communion  
of the Church until he repents. The  
Moderator is ordered to publish this decision

from the pulpits.

(Mr McIntosh appeared and his case having been taken up by his counsel Mr Mines & A. Jacoby & N. Garrard were sworn -

(Mr Mines examined question by moderator are you acquainted with Mr McIntosh's practice as regards the 1<sup>st</sup> charge.

Ans. I cannot now recollect of seeing him go into a grocery but once but I suppose I have recollect once seeing him go into Hodderius' grocery by Mr McIntosh said you seen one intoxicated within 18 months Ans. No not that I know of Mr Mines said he had frequently seen him sitting & standing about groceries. (Mr Garrard ex. q. by Mod. do you know Mr McIntosh's habit respecting his frequenting Repling houses Ans. I have seen him near groceries frequently and have seen him several times in Mr Hodderius grocery I did not see him the last day of the Allen County Circuit Court as I recollect. q. by Mr McIntosh have you seen any improper conduct in the streets

Ans. That depends upon what would be considered improper. Consider it improper for an Elder of the Church to be frequently sitting near Groceries. Mr. Carr said stated that Mr. McIntosh's appearance in the streets for the last year had been that of an enter-  
-perate person. q. by Mr. McIntosh was it  
by the look of my face or my breath  
or by the action of my hands or feet that  
made you suppose me drunk. Ans. partly  
by your countenance. I think this will give  
the idea as well as any words I can make  
use of "a general stepped appearance"

Mr. Jacobi Esq. of moderator tell the  
Session what you know in regard to Mr.  
McIntosh's habit of frequenting Groceries  
Ans. I have frequently seen him at Heddle's  
and at the Saloon and at Smith & Hutchinson's  
q. tell the Session how he appears whether  
as a man doing business or as a lounging  
Ans. I have seen him a few times at Hedd-  
-le's when the room was filled with

intemperate and profane men. at one particular time he was sitting by the stove with other persons about him (Mr. Heddle was standing) before the counter and (intend suppose) Mr. McIntosh had no business with him. q. had Mr. McIntosh been with the other men Ans. I saw nothing like it. I saw - leet several times (passing) Hutchins Grocery and saw Mr. McIntosh sitting by the stove - q. did you see Mr. McIntosh on the last day of the Allen Circuit Court. Ans. I saw him in the afternoon of that day q. tell where you saw him Ans. I saw him sitting by the stove in Heddle's grocery and I saw that I saw him afterwards. q. will you tell the Session whether he was drunk or not. Ans. He was sitting by the stove partially bent over with his mouth open and looking at the stove. q. were the usual symptoms that attend drunkenness at that time apparent. Ans. (They were) I have seen much drunkenness and am acquainted with its symptoms q. do you believe to the best of your knowledge that Mr. McIntosh was intoxicated on that occasion. Ans. I do. q. by Mr. McIntosh

Mr Jacoby I understand you to say that you had frequently seen me at Mr Hederius' Am. I have seen you there probably fifty times. Q- do you know how much dealing I have had with Mr Hederius within the last two years Am. I do not. - did you ever see me coming out of Hederius Drunks the Staggers or quarrelling on the side walls Am. I have never seen you fighting with any person but I have frequently seen you when I thought you was intoxicated Q. What was your reason for supposing me drunks Am. one year reason is that your countenance & appearance was that of an intemperate person. another reason is I have often seen you with intoxicated persons and another reason is I have sometimes come in contact with your breath and it had the smell of an intemperate person. Q. When have you come so near as to smell my breath. Am election day near the Court House and as many as two or three times in the stand  
The above testimony was read to the witness

by them apprised,

(Mr McIntosh withdrew from the Session in a very abrupt, manner and contemptuous manner stating that he would make no defence. That he must go and loose after his boy whom he had left at a grocery and go home. That if it was an offence to go to a grocery they would have another charge against him as he was going directly to one. That they might just do with his case as the pleased.

The Session after consideration unanimously  
Resolved that the charges as specified  
against Mr McIntosh are sustained by the  
testimony on motion unanimously Resolved  
that John McIntosh be and is hereby suspended  
from ~~the~~ communion with the Church until  
repent. The Moderator is directed to publish  
this decision from the pulpit Session adjourned

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F. Scott Clerk

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Dec 4 The session met at the call of the  
Moderator Members present A T Rastin  
Mod. S. Noel M F Barber M S. Wines  
N. Farrand Elders  
Admitted upon Certificate  
Arrow Menshon Lydia Menshon  
The session adjourned  
S. Noel Colk

Dec 26 The session met at the call of the moderator  
members present A T Rastin Mod.  
N. Farrand M S. Wines M F Barber  
S. Noel Elders,  
admitted upon Certificate  
James Edwards Mrs James Edwards  
The session adjourned  
S. Noel Colk

March 8 Session met Members present.

M. S. Wines M. F. Barber & A. T. Ranson Mod.

The following was adopted after due consideration, etc

Whereas Samuel <sup>& Reuben G.</sup> McE. Steward  
and John Badgley have left the County  
without taking desmission, it was  
resolved that their names be stricken  
from the Register of the church.

Also James Hudson and Ann Hudson  
having connected themselves with another  
denomination it was resolved that their  
names be stricken from the Register

The Session adjourned -

M. F. Barber Clk P.S.

March 12 Session met at the call of the moderator  
members present A. T. Ranson Mod.

F. Morell, M. S. Wines & M. Farrand Clk.

Dismissed M. F. Barber, Jane Barber  
& Abby Barber.

F. Morell Clk

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April 1<sup>st</sup> 1842

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Total in Govt.     | 116 |
| Actual or exact to | 2   |
| " the Contingent   | 6   |
| Debt               | 2   |
| Borrowed           | 3   |
| Payable before     | 3   |
| Total now in       | 112 |
| Actual B. & P. 2   |     |
| Interest 10        | 13  |
| Widder, prorata 5  |     |
| Total now in       | 112 |
| Contingent         |     |

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Sept 3d Session met at the call of the moderator  
Members present A. J. Rankin Modr.  
H. S. Wines, A. Farrand & P. Noel Eldrs.  
Opened with prayer by the modr.

Dismissed Mary & Cadie.

Rev'd on certificate Miss Margaret Edwards.  
" on examination (Arnold Masters)

P. Noel Clk

Sept 6 Session met at the call of the moderator  
Members present A. J. Rankin Modr.  
H. S. Wines, A. Farrand & S. Noel Eldr.  
Rev'd on certificate.

Pilas Bent, Mary Bent, William Paul  
& Pamela Paul.

P. Noel Clk

" 14 Session met. Members present

A. J. Rankin Modr. H. S. Wines,  
A. Farrand & P. Noel Elders.

H. S. Wines was appointed a delegate  
to attend the stated meeting of Presbytery  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Sept. next

Adjourned

P. Noel Clk

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Oct. 8 Session met at the Call of the moderator.

Members present A. J. Rankin - moderator

S. Toole - Clerk

on examination

Admission M. T. Bickford, Anna E. Read, Alice

Burd, George Scott, John C. Swinney, James

Ann Morrison, Wm. Barton, Ann Foster,

Admission of Harry Barton; on certificate

Sarah Ann Morrison & Lucy Griswold

S. Toole Clerk

Departed this life Marshall S. Winslow  
an Elder in this Church Oct 1842

S. Toole Clerk

Nov. 18 Session met present.

A. J. Rankin Mod. S. Toole Elder  
opened with prayer

Admission, on examination,

John Edsall, Mary D. Edsall &

Sarah C. Chute, on certificate Jonathan

G. Parker & Ann C. Sawyer Issue L.

Williams, Susan C. Williams S. Toole Clerk

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Jany 29 Session met at the call of the moderator  
Members present. A. S. Rankin Mod.  
T. Scott Elder

Opened with prayer.

{ Admitted on examination, Sam'l Gander  
Redder, John Paul, Joseph H. Atkinson  
& Henry Ayres. Louis, George, Matilda Durin  
T. Scott Clr

Jay 5 Session met at the call of the moderator  
members present. A. S. Rankin mod.  
T. Scott elder. Isaac L. Williams, who  
was heretofore elected elder appeared  
and took his seat.

Opened with prayer.

{ Admitted on examination Gander  
Cuthson, Samuel Davis, Sam'l Fairfiled  
W. Brown & Paul

Feb 13<sup>rd</sup> / 1843

Session met. Members present P. A. &  
Leslie L. Williams A. J. Rankin Mod.  
Matthew Griggs presented the following  
Charges against James H. Farley, "Accuse  
James H. Farley with unchristian conduct  
1<sup>st</sup> for Charging gross. Witnes, Pitt Townley  
2<sup>nd</sup> with keeping false books. Witnes  
Henry Lo G, Henry Cooper, E. H. Colerick,  
& Robert Brackenridge, Jun.

Matthew Griggs  
It was resolved to take up the Charge  
preferred by Matthew Griggs against Mr  
Farley - Mr. Farley having signified his  
willingness to waive his right to testimony  
no time. The Clerk was ordered to give him  
a copy of the charges, with the names  
of the witnesses, and the parties were  
notified to appear before Session on  
Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> inst. at 2 P.M.  
Mr. Griggs was directed to have his

witnesses in attendance at that hour.

Alexander C. Lawry presented a written notification to Session, in which he declared he had withdrawn from the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne. The consideration of this paper was postponed until after the above charges shall have been investigated — Adjourned to meet wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> inst. at 2 P.M. & this paper suspended to the next S<sup>t</sup> inst.

S. Storl Ck

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 1843 — Session met pursuant to adjournment. Members present S. Storl, J. L. Williams & A. T. Rankin Modt.

The parties and witnesses being present, the charges were read to Mr. Lawry, and he pleaded "not guilty."

~~G. H. Coleridge seems to favor one~~

Answer by Mr. Griggs.

What do you know of Mr. Lawry keeping false books?

Ans. That on the trial of the Case of Lawry & Farrand vs said Griggs, before James Lots, witness as the attorney of said Griggs,

ordered a Subpoena datus return to issue  
for the books of said firm - that the said  
Griggs placed a Credit to be on said  
books of an amount of \$10.00 George W Griggs  
for said Matthew, and on examining  
the books one overcharge was found in  
said books as follows: The bill rendered  
on the receipt of certain goods  
by more than two dollars than the bill  
Charged on the books for said goods.

That the bill sued on as the foundation  
of the suit was evidently intended to collect  
more from the said Griggs, than the true  
account in said books against the said  
Griggs to the amount of about twenty dol-  
-ars (\$20) and the said excess was so in-  
-corporated in said account as to bar  
the Conclusion of its being the result of  
accident, but after the discovery was made  
W. Jacoby seems mortified and sorry to  
me, either from the part of the meditator  
wrong being discovered or from a failing

of wounded honor, and said he had a reason for it, that it looked bad, and was bad, but that he did not intend to wrong Grizz by it, but to get what was due to him or them from some previous business or deal they had with Grizz.

Cross examined by accused. Do you know from said trial and examination that I keep false books? Ans. I do not, except the discrepancy refers to, which might only be the result of accident. That the books were produced, by Mr. Jacoby, at the instance of Mr. Cooper, that it was a matter of much contention to get the books, Grizz insisting and Jacoby objecting, that Mr. Jacoby's excuse for the discrepancy between the account and books was made after the testimony had closed and the accounts matched and compared.

D. H. Colerick

Henry Cooper sworn and saith that the account used on in the trial between Mr. Jacoby & Grizz differed, but cannot say,

how much. Question by prosecutor - Did this difference carry with it the evidence of design? Ans. Yes. But cannot say it was intended to wrong any person.

Ques. by counsel, Did I not state that the design of the bill was to cover charges and interest which were in the books and not in the bill sued on? Ans. Yes.

Henry Lots sworn on behalf of the prosecutor. W. C. St. testified, that Mr. Farley presented a bill of goods, as the foundation of the suit. Mr. Griggs was not willing to settle by the bill. The bill was compared with the books, and proved to be considerably higher than the account on the book, but cannot say how much. The settlement was made by the books and not by the bill. Ques. by Mr. Griggs. - Were these books such as a business man would keep? Ans. - Books are generally kept in the same way. Ques. by Same. - Do you say they were honest upright books? Ans. - As to the manner of keeping the books, I suppose

They were kept as other men would keep books. Ques. by same - Did the bill and the books correspond? Ans. No. Ques. by same - What did you understand was the cause of the discrepancy between the bill and the books? Ans. The reason assigned was that there were other charges against Mr. Griggs, which could not be reached in any other way, and also to cover interest for two or three years.

Ques. by same - Do you consider the books true or false? Ans. I could see nothing false in the Journal and Ledger.

Ques. by Sisson - In what way was the excess of the bill put in? Ans. On the different items in the bill the excess was added. - Ques. by same - Do you remember any particular item? Ans. Not any particular items, but there were a great many. Ques. by same - Is it customary to collect interest in that way? Ans. It is not customary, neither is it law. - Ques. by same - Do you recollect at what stage of the suit you were informed of the reason of this overcharging?

Ans. When the bill and books were compared  
Jonas W. Towneey Sworn. Will you state to  
session what you know concerning the price  
of certain articles of goods in an account against  
W<sup>t</sup> Griggs, said on, by Mr. Jacob before  
Henry Zots way, in respect to which you  
were called to testify. Ans. Some goods were  
shewn to me, and I fixed the price at what  
I thought was their worth; but goods vary  
according to the way in which merchants  
trade; there is no standard value to such  
articles. Ques. by sq. Do you recollect the price  
charged W<sup>t</sup> Griggs? Ans. A brace was shewn  
me in which was a shawl charged at one  
dollar, and I fixed the price at two dollars, but  
in some kinds of trade it would be worth  
a higher price. Ques. by same. Were there  
any other articles in the bill which you were  
called to fix the price of? Ans. Yes. A vest  
was shewn, and my impression is that I ~~fixed~~  
assessed the vest at one dollar and a  
half, the pattern, and trimmings fifty cents.

Ques. by same. Do you recollect what the price was in the bill? Ans. I do not.

Ques. by accused. Did I acknowledge that the articles presented, by Mr Griggs, was the Shawl Charged in the bill? Ans. I think you, when I came to recollect, were present, but cannot say whether you admitted it to be the same or not.

Ques. by same. Did I admit that the vest shewn you, was the vest charged in the bill? Ans. I cannot say.

Ques. by same. Who presented the bill to you? Ans. Mr Griggs.

Ques. by same. Was that bill, the bill sent on before the Justice? Ans. The bill I saw was handed round at the time of the trial, and was in the hands of the lawyers, but cannot say where it came from.

Ques. by prosecutor. Do you recollect that the bill was a half sheet of paper divided in two columns of charges? Ans. That was the kind of bill presented to me.

Testimony on behalf of the prosecution closed.

Alexander Jacoby sworn on behalf of the accused, saith, that he was present at the trial before Mr. Lab - that at the time the shawl was examined by Mr. Townley, James H. Jacoby was not in the room - that in the after part of the <sup>same</sup> day when the shawl and vest were shown to him, he said expressly that it had not been shewn; and was not admitted that they were the shawl and vest charged in the bill or bought at Mr. Ferrand's store. The black silking shawl was sold by witness, and not by the accused - the price was affixed thereto by witness, while the accused was gone to New York, and the basis for fixing the price was the cost of the article, and not the real value - witness not being a very good judge of the real value of shawls particularly silking. The accused had been served with a subpoena duces tecum and upon the instructions of witness, as counsel has been advised that he was not bound in law to adduce the books in evidence and was rightly

enjoined not to permit their examination, and this as a point of law, and not of policy in that suit, for witness did not know that there was a discrepancy between the bill and the book. This discrepancy was first acknowledged by counsel before the books were examined, and counsel stated that he had been advised, contrary to his own judgment, that he ought to swell the bill large enough to cover certain just and righteous demands against said Griggs which he said Griggs refused to allow, and which the counsel said he had no means of proving according to law; and also in order to recover the amount justly owed by Mr Griggs in that suit, instead of bringing several suits, hoping thereby to save much controversy and hard feelings between them and Mr Griggs, and the counsel offered to let the books, as they stood, be the basis of the judgment instead of the bill, if the Counsel would allow it. It appeared that the whole of the amount on the book did not vary in any very considerable degree from the amount claimed in the bill - only part of it accrued to the firm of "Law & Howard"

and part of it to H. Farrand." Witney has had a good opportunity of judging of the manner of keeping books by the accused; accused having been, for a long time, Clerk for Witney, and Witney believes accused keeps books honestly and justly, and as business men, in general, keep books. The books in question, were not the books of the accused, but of "H. Farrand" and "Jacoby & Farrand".

Witney remembers that at the trial before St. Lôs Esq. Mr. Griggs showed a bill purporting to have been given at the time an article or articles were purchased and which was less than the entry corresponding in date in the book - Witney is satisfied that such a discrepancy may exist without fraud or wrong on the part of the accused, as purchasers often return in a few minutes and enlarge the purchases, without producing the bill for enlargement, either from negligence or intention. Witney has known several such instances occur as he verily believes

intentionally. He does not know that the bill  
first mentioned or the entry in the Book was  
made by himself. - witness further saith  
that Mr Griggs had agreed to allow  
interest on the amount he owed for some  
two or three years, when the bill brought  
in suit was also intended to cover as the  
accused alleged. - The bill was also cut down  
by a new credit. Ques. by prosecutor. When did  
Mr Griggs agree to allow interest as above stated.  
Ans. In my office some time within two  
months before the suit was brought.  
Mr Griggs said he had agreed so at some  
time before that time.

Robert Dugger sworn on behalf of the accused  
Ques. by the accused. What do you know about  
my keeping false books? Ans. I know not  
that you kept false books. - Ques. by same. Had  
you not a good opportunity to judge of my  
way of keeping books? - Ans. During the  
three months I did business for you, I had.  
The evidence is closed.

After mature consideration the following  
definitive sentence was adopted.

Matthew Griggs prefers a general charge  
of unchristian Conduct, with two specifications  
against James W. Jacoby. These specifications  
are, 1<sup>st</sup> Purchasing goods, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Keeping  
false books. The specifications, in the  
judgment of session, are not sustained  
by the testimony. But the evidence does  
convict Mr. Jacoby of unchristian con-  
duct in several particulars.

1<sup>st</sup> It appears clearly from the testimony, and  
from Mr. Jacoby's own admissions, that he  
made out and rendered a false bill of goods  
on which suit was brought against Matthew  
Griggs. 2<sup>nd</sup> For the purpose of recovering  
interest on a book account of two or three  
years standing, and for the purpose of reaching  
other charges, which he has against Matthew  
Griggs, and which he alleges could not be  
recovered in any other way. He added an  
extra to the original price for which the goods

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were sold and charged in the books, so as to cover said interest and other charges, with intent to collect them in said suit.

3<sup>d</sup>. The reason assigned by Mr. Jacoby viz: That he could reach said Charge in no other way, session regard as an aggravation of his sin. However just said Charge may be (and in respect to their justness or unjustice, session give no judgment.) The means resorted to, to collect them are in direct violation of the gospel of Christ, which injures honesty in all our dealings. Session believe the offence proved against Mr. Jacoby to be so unjustifiable as to require the severity of censure, therefore

Resolved that James A. Taubey be excluded from the Communion of the Church; and he is hereby excluded until he give satisfactory evidence of repentance.

This sentence the moderator was directed to read in the church on next Sabbath.

Closed with prayer.

Closed with Prayer S. voice CLK  
from the foregoing sentence W. Jacoby appealed.

F. Son. etc

The following is the paper presented to Session by Lysander C. Jacoby:

"To the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne

Please to take notice that I hereby withdraw from my Connection with the Church in which you are ruling elders, and that from and after this day I shall not hold myself subject to your government and shall not ask your protection and support.

Fort Wayne

8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1843

Very Respectfully

Lysander C. Jacoby

The Session Resolved that they do not recognize his right to withdraw his connection from the Church, and cannot permit him to do so.

Session adjourned closed with  
Prayer

S. Storer clk

Feby 26<sup>th</sup> /843

Session met. Members present.

A. T. Rankin, modt. J. L. Williams, S. Stoe.

Admitted on examination, Henry Chamberlain  
Catherina Chamberlain (Dr. Davis).

Adjourned

S. Stoe C.R.

Feby 27 Session met. Members present. A. T.

Rankin. Modt. J. L. Williams, S. Stoe.

Opened with prayer.

Admitted on examination Samuel  
Hanna Elizabeth Forsyth.

Adjourned

S. Stoe C.R.

28 Session met. Members present. A. T. Rankin

modt. J. L. Williams, S. Stoe.

Opened with prayer.

Admitted on examination William  
Pearson

Adjourned

S. Stoe C.R.

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Samuel, Robt Baird, Polly Baird,  
Leahda Baird, George McQuistin,  
Eliza Rogers McQuistin, James Pringle  
and Pringle, Malvina Pittens, etc.  
having joined the Baptist Church.  
Cone Thorn, Abigail Ewing & Jane Hood  
S. Ward C.R.

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| Total in Commission | 112 |
| Act. on example     | 24  |
| " on Craft          | 16  |
| Price               | \$  |
| Business            | 12  |
| Refundable          | 1   |
| Total now in Com    | 30  |
| Actual Capital      | 7   |
| Surplus             | 10  |

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Ap<sup>r</sup> 3 Session met pursuant to the request of James A. Jacoby, for the purpose of Conferring with him in regard to what would be required, in order to his being restored to the Communion of The Church. Members present A. T. Austin mod<sup>d</sup> J. L. Williams, T. Storl.

Mr. Jacoby was informed that it would be necessary for him to give satisfactory evidence of sincere and ingenuous repentance. That this evidence must be such, as will satisfy the Church, against which he had sinned; and that he could only be accepted and pardoned, by God, in the exercise of Godly sorrow. - He was then heard at considerable length as to his feelings and views, in which he informed session, that, he had been brought to see his sin, as he trusted in its true light; that he had mourned over it with sincere and heart felt grief, both before and ~~and after~~ since his suspension; and that he wished to be restored to the Communion of The Church.

Session then resolved to meet again  
on tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock, for further  
consideration of the subject.

Tuesday evening A.P. 4<sup>th</sup> 1843  
Session met pursuant to adjournment  
Members present. A. T. Rankin Mod.  
J. L. Williams, S. Scott.

Proceeded to the consideration of  
Mr. Jacoby's case. After mature and careful  
deliberation, the following minute was adop-  
ted. — Mr. Jacoby, in the judgment of  
session, appears to be penitent; and they  
hope he may have been accepted and  
pardoned by the great head of the Church  
who alone can tell what is in the hearts  
of the children of men; but such  
was the position, which he sustained  
in the Church and the Sabbath  
School, that they think the evidence  
of his reformation should be so complete  
and finished, as to satisfy, in some good  
degree, the brotherhood, from whose

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Communion he has been excluded. This  
can only be done by an humble, prayerful  
and unostentatious conversation: Therefore  
they are of the opinion, that it would be premature,  
and not for the edification of Mr. Gandy or the  
brethren, to restore him at this time to church  
fellowship.

Adjourned

J. Noel Ckr

Thus far examined and ap-  
proved in Presbytery April  
4<sup>th</sup> 1843 A. J. Rankin

Fort Wayne Ia

Moderator

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April 9<sup>th</sup> / 843.

Session met, at the call of the moderator  
Members present. A. J. Rankin Modt.

Jesse L. Williams, P. Noe?

Constituted with prayer.

Admitted on examination, John E. Hill,

Laura Fullenfield, Mary R. Horning

Session adjourned

P. Noe Clk

May 3 Dismissed. Samuel Riddle

P. Noe Clk

Aug 1 Session met at the call of the moderator

Members present. A. J. Rankin Modt.

J. L. Williams

Received one certificate Henry C. Peffer

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Aug 14 Dismissed J. L. Fancher & A. C. Fancher

P. Noe Clk

August 24<sup>th</sup> / 1843

At a meeting of the session of the first Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne held at the house of Isaac L. Williams members all being present, the following communication from the Rev. A. J. Rankin was received and read.

" Fort Wayne Ia August 24<sup>th</sup> / 1843  
To the Session of the Presbyterian  
Church of Fort Wayne.

Dear Brethren

as the time has arrived, at which the congregation usually make provision to obtain the stated means of grace, I take this method of informing them through you, that I decline coming before them for reappointment. My pecuniary and domestic concerns are in such a condition as to require immediate attention, and as I have the prospect of employment in another part in the great field of labour,

after mature Consideration, I have Concluded, that the interest of this Church as well as my own, would be promoted by a separation.

I hope measures will be taken immediately to procure the administration of the gospel among you. Any aid which I can render you in this Matter shall be cheerfully given.

August Brothers, of my best wishes both for yourselves and for the Church and Congregation.

Yours Respectfully,

A. T. Rankin

Whereupon the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved that with gratitude to the head of the Church, we would record his goodness & mercy in advancing the interests of our branch of Zion, during Mr. Rankin's labours among us, our Church having increased more than six fold in as

many years, and up to the present time  
enjoying harmony, and having good prospect  
of further enlargement.

- 2 Resolved that Mr. Rankin will be followed wherever he goes, by our kindest wishes for his welfare and happiness, and by our most anxious prayers for his continued usefulness in the vineyard of the Lord.
- 3 Resolved that he be requested to cooperate with us in introducing to our congregation a suitable minister.
- 4 Resolved that he be invited to continue his labours among us until it suits his convenience to remove, or another minister can be procured.
- 5 Resolved that it be suggested to the trustees that proper means be immediately adopted to collect funds to remunerate him for any extra labor he may perform, and to meet this indebtedness of the Church for his past services.
- 6 Resolved that a copy of these resolutions

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be given to W. Rankin, and that the whole proceedings be read before the Congregation.

L. Storer Clk

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Jany 6<sup>th</sup> 1844

Session met. All the members present. Opened with prayer.

Rec'd. on Certificate. Mr & Mrs Jas. H. Robinson, Robert H. Townley & Eliza H. his wife & Frederic H. Tyler & Eliza H. his wife. Session Closed with prayer

L. Storer Clk

Feb 9

Session met. Members present Issac L. Williams, John Cochran and Sam'l Hanna

The Case of James H. Davy who had been suspended from the fellowship of the Church was taken up - W. Davy being present, and after consideration, the following was adopted:

1874 Whereas W. Jacoby has at this time, as well as at a former meeting, expressed to the session his sincere repentance for the sin for which he was suspended, and also his desire to be restored to the Communion of the Church. Therefore,

Resolved that the said James A. Jacoby be restored to the Communion of the Church; and he is hereby restored, and recommended to the prayers of the brethren.

Feb. 12.

J. L. Williams clk Mr. Tern.

Dismissed so. W. Jacoby & Mary Wood.

Apil. 5 Session met. Members present

Clarkson - modr. J. L. Williams  
F. Noel 3 Plets

Reopened with prayer

Rcd on Certificate. Samuel Biggar  
Ellen Biggar & Maria Fory

F. Noel CLK

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| Total on Comm:           | 130 |
| Added on certif:         | 10  |
| Rev'd on Commt:          | 3   |
| abst:                    | 0   |
| Dismissed                | 4   |
| Suspended                | 0   |
| Total now<br>in Committ: | 139 |
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| Dismissed                |     |

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May 4 Dismissed Frederick H. Tyler & Eliz W. his wife, Susan M. Ullcott, Alida L. Taylor, Sarah Fairfield, & Maria Fory.

J. Noel Clk

" 7 Dismissed Samuel Hurs.

J. Noel Clk

" 16 Dismissed Augustus D Wood

J. Noel Clk

July 13 Session met, Members present

W. C. Anderson, Mod.

opened J. L. Williams, S. Emma, S. Noel Clks  
with prop'rty on certificate Sophia C. Noel  
Hugh White

J. Noel Clk

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July 21. Alluvium at summit of Gads.

5 Stone Elk

Hart-Wayen Oct. 1844

Session met - All the members present. Rev. Mr.  
C. Anderson Mod. - Opened with prayer.

S. Noel was appointed to attend the  
full meeting of the Logansport Presbytery to be held  
at Logansport, and Mrs Paul his attendant.

Sam'l. Hanna was appointed to attend  
the Resuming meeting of the Synod at South Bend  
and J. L. Williams, his attendant.

Hart-Wayen Oct. 1844

Session met - All the members present, to wit  
W. S. Dickson Moderator, S. Noel S. Hanna  
John Cockton W<sup>m</sup>. Paul, James H. Not-  
visor & J. L. Williams - Opened with prayer.

Admitted by certificate Charlotte <sup>W</sup> Blivins,  
Abigail L. Blivins, Abigail Cohoon  
Hiram G. Williams, Sarah J. Williams, &  
Julia E. Cook

Admitted on examination W<sup>m</sup>. Theresa  
Benjamin

Nov. 15 1866

Dismissed Hugh Mc Nea, Mr. Mary  
Hubbell and Miss Mary Barton

Fair Haven Dec. 31. 1844

Some important transactions in relation to the Church, having been omitted ~~in keeping the record,~~ it is ordered that the following historical minute be entered.

In Sept. 1843 a meeting of the church members, was called by notice from the pulpit for the pulpit for the purpose of electing two additional Elders - the session then consisting of only two members - Saml. Thunior & John Cookman were chosen, and on the following Sabbath they were ordained and set apart to the office of Presiding Elder by Rev. Mr. Rankin.

Soon after the resignation of the Rev. A. G. Rankin, on the 24th Aug. 1845, as Pastor of the Church, a unanimous call was made by the congregation for the ministerial services of the Rev. John Mc. Stevenson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Troy Ohio, which he declined to accept.

About the middle of Jan'y. 1844

a call was made unanimously by the congregation for the Rev. H. S. Dickson  
then Pastor of the Presbyterian Church in  
Bandstown Ky. which was declined.

About the first of May 1844 the  
congregation unanimously called the Rev. W<sup>m</sup>  
C. Anderson late Professor in Hanover College  
which he did not accept, though he took  
charge of the church and continued to  
labour with great acceptance as stated  
supply until his health failed about the  
1st Sept. In anticipation of this event  
and at Mr. Anderson's request, a meeting  
of the congregation was called about <sup>on</sup> the  
2<sup>d</sup> of Sept. to elect a pastor; when it  
was unanimously resolved to renew the  
call to Rev. H. S. Dickson, which call  
was accepted by him, and the election of  
pastor entered upon by him on the 23<sup>d</sup>  
of Oct. 1844.

At the same meeting at which  
Mr. Dickson was elected pastor, the members

of the Church proceeded to the election of  
two additional Elders, in pursuance of  
voting given from the pulpit, when William  
Paul and James H. Robinson were  
chosen with much unanimity, and on  
the following Sabbath, to wit, the 17th Sept.,  
they were ordained and set apart to  
office of Sterling Elder by Rev. Mr. Anderson  
after an appropriate discourse.

The above minute was entered by L. Williams  
after a consultation with members of Session  
as to their recollection of the particular states -  
The Session at a recent meeting adopted the  
following, To wit; -

That ~~the~~ Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be  
regularly administered on the first Sabbath  
in January, April, July & October  
of each Year -

That Members shall be received by Certificate  
without a publick profession of their Faith,  
their names being announced from the Pulpit  
as Members received by the Session -

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Resolved, That in future, all persons accepted <sup>as</sup> members by the Session, for membership to his Church, on examination of their personal religion, shall <sup>be</sup> make a Public profession of their Faith, on their reception into the Church at some Communion season, in the presence of the whole congregation —

1845 —

Jany 4 The Session met & opened with Prayer by  
Rev<sup>r</sup> Mr. Dickson, Moderator —

Received on Certificate No. Second Letter  
and the Letter from the 1<sup>st</sup> Pres Church at  
Hilgara Ia.  
— & Rev. Dr. Clark, from the First Church of  
Alpena, Michigan

Received on Examination for membership Mrs  
Mrs Frances P Randal

Mrs Henry P Ayres

Mrs Catharine Stryker

Mrs Maria Mc Maken

Received on Certificate Jan 5 1845

Mrs James Mc Ormiston, wife of Doctor Ormiston

Mrs Clara L Banks, wife of Doctor T. Mc Banks

These persons  
have become  
members of this Church  
on a public  
profession of  
their faith at  
the celebration  
of St. Louis Supper

1845.

Feby 30

Session met, present Rev Mr Dickson  
Mr Paul, Cockrane, Williams & Robinson  
The following persons presented themselves for  
admission to the Church and after examination  
were accepted for that purpose Viz -

Oliver P Morgan, John Hough Jr  
Miss Mary Ann Coleman -

Brother Noel who has acted as Clerk of Session  
on whose duties as Post Master, presents his  
regular attendance on the meetings of Session  
Not being present, and the prospect of frequent  
meetings of Session; on motion,

James A Robinson was appointed Clerk of  
Session - *Ayounid* -

Feby 1

Session met, same members present as at the  
last meeting - opened with Prayer by Rev Mr Dickson  
Recap on Certificate Viz

James M Cutler, from the 1<sup>st</sup> Pres Church  
of Millcreek Indiana

Eliza French, from the Pres Church of  
Monroe Michigan -

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The following persons presented themselves for admission to the church, and after examination were accepted for that purpose. Viz -  
William Bowen, Henry Sharp  
William Baker Miss Virginia Lewis  
Miss Eliza Root, Miss Margaret Forsyth  
Miss Barbara Lotz

A Certificate given to Mrs Elizabeth Ward  
by S. Noel Clark, without date, but supposed  
to have been given about six months since,  
was returned to the Session, she not having  
used it - as contemplated - destroyed -

Adjourned

Feb 1 At the preparatory sermon for communion to-morrow, being an extra observance desired by some of the session, the following named children were Baptized Viz  
Stephen Cooper, Son of Drs Henry P Ayres  
born June 5 - 1840 -  
Anna Maria, Daughter of same, born  
Feb 7 - 1843 -

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Feb 2, The Lord's Supper was celebrated this day  
being Sabbath, and the persons accepted for  
membership on the 30<sup>th</sup> of January & 1<sup>st</sup> of  
February were received into the church on  
a public profession of their Faith, except  
John Stough Dr who was necessarily  
absent from the City.

Oliver P Morgan, Eliza Root &  
Mary Ann Coleman were Baptized —

Feb 17 Mrs Jane Colinger, a communicant  
of this church Died this day —  
Funeral attended in the church by Rev  
A S Dickson —

Feb 24 Session met agreeably to notice from Pulpit  
Present Rev A S Dickson - Hannah Williams,  
Noel, Cockrane & Robinson - Opened by Prayer  
The following persons presenting themselves for  
admission to this church at its next communion  
were received for that purpose Viz -  
Mrs Harriet, wife of James Story - Not Baptized  
— continue —

— Continued —

Mrs Jane Rowan —

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| • Martha Ervin                  | <u>Not Baptized</u> |
| " Eliza S Lewis                 | <u>not B</u>        |
| " Cynthia <sup>Ann</sup> Barnes | <u>not B</u>        |

Mrs Ammon Fox formerly Miss Margaret Ann Edwards a member of this church desiring to join the Methodist Church and applying for a certificate, the Session ordered <sup>ab.</sup> one given of good standing, without any recommendation to that church —

In pursuance of the above order the following form of certificate was issued No<sup>o</sup> 1

Fort Wayne Feb 24. 1845

Mrs Ammon Fox a member of the first Pres.byterian Church of Fort Wayne Indiana, making known to the Session, her desire to be connected with the Methodist church in this place; at her request, this is to certify that she is a member of said church in good standing —

By order of the Session, James A. Robinson, <sup>Chap.</sup>

— Continued —

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- Continue -

*at full  
Dec 21*  
Edmond Hinton (Not Baptized) came before  
the Session for admission to the church; whose case  
was deferred for the present.

Adjourned

Feb, 25. Presented James M. Rainford to  
2<sup>nd</sup> Pres't Church Fort Wayne Ind.

Feb, 26. Session met at the call of the Moderator -  
Present. Rev<sup>r</sup> H S Dickson - Noel, Williams,  
Cochrane, Robinson - Opened with Prayer -  
Received for admission to the church at the next  
Communion, Mrs Elizabeth M. wife of {  
- Made to Shaff, on Examination)  
~~Not Baptized~~ - Adjourned -

March 3 Session met at the call of the Moderator -  
Present, Rev<sup>r</sup> H S Dickson = Hannah, Cochrane  
Williams & Robinson - Opened with Prayer -  
Received on Examination for admission to this Church;  
George Wilson - Horace Durie - both Not Baptized  
James O' Townley & Ellen wife of James P. Munson  
both Baptized - Adjourned -

1845

March 9 Session Met at the request of the Moderator -  
Present, Rev A S. Dickson - Williams - Cockran  
A Robinson -

The Subject of changing the regular Communion  
Season from the 1<sup>st</sup> Sabbath in April to the  
Third Sabbath in March, and every Third  
Sabbath of the Third Month thereafter; having  
been discussed at a previous Meeting, was  
adopted - Thus fixing the 3<sup>d</sup> Sabbath  
in March, June, September & December, as  
the regular times for this observance - Adyanced

March 12 Session met at the call of the Moderator  
Present Rev A S Dickson - Williams, Cockran  
A Robinson - Opened with Prayer

The following persons were received on examination  
for admission to this church N.B.

Miss Martha Mc Hood -

Mrs Hulda Johnson - Not Baptized

Mr Richard Chute

- Samuel C Evans

Session Adyanced

1845

March 15 Session Met at the call of the Moderator  
Present, Revd H S. Dickson - Hannah  
Cochrane Williams & Robinson -  
Opened with Prayer -

The following persons were received on  
examination for admission to this Church.

Edmond Hinton. Not Baptized.

Tomlin M Banks Not Baptized

Henry Lotz -

Miss Mary Ann Barnett -

Received on Certificate

Mrs Susan Wife of Edward Whitmore  
from the church in Rockhill Conn

✓ Admitted ✓

March 16 Session Met. Present Revd H S. Dickson, Hannah  
Williams, Ivel, Cochrane & Robinson -

Rec'd on Examination for admission to  
this church = Gabriel Lankart - ~~Baptized~~  
in Catholic Church; but not being considered  
valid by the pastor, ordered he be Baptized.

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March 16. This day the communion of the church  
was observed, and the persons accepted for  
membership on the 24 Feby. 26 Feby. 3 March,  
12<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March, were received into  
the church on a public profession (including  
John Stough Jr. who was absent at  
the last communion); Except the following  
person who did not appear viz -

Mrs Huldah Johnson -

Mr Edmund Hinton

Mr Tomlin M. Banks

The following named person were Baptized:  
Mrs James Story, Mrs Wade & Shroff  
Miss Eliza S Lewis, Miss Cynthia Ann Pearce  
Mr George Wilson Mr Horace Durie  
& Mr Gabriel Lankart - 7 persons =

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March 25 John Edsall, Died this day

April 2 Mary S - wife of Henry Cooper Died this day  
(- 3: Mary wife of John E Baker died this day

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April Henry Lotz died this day

3 12 Pamela wife of William Paul, died this day

Session met present Rev A S Dickson  
Hannah, William Cochran & Robinson.

Opened with Prayer -

Recd on Certificates to the communion of the  
'Church' Rufus M French, from the  
Presbyterian Church in Brockport -

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of March 1845, Rev Mr Dickson  
Baptised, Mary, infant daughter of Robert  
& Mary Gage at his study room; they  
having applied to him for that favor on  
a special visit from the County, near Mr  
Vermitius on the Canal - They are not members  
of this church -

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20 Session met - Presc Modest William & Cochran  
Operated William Paul was appointed a delegate  
to attend the next meeting of Presby & S Noel this  
alternate -

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